

METHODIST CONFERENCE CHANGES

Rev. O. E. B. Other Assignments.

ST. JOHNSBURY DISTRICT
Superintendent—Ralph F. Lowe.
Albany—L. P. Chase.
Barre—E. F. Newell.
Barton—L. A. Ranney.
Bloomfield—Supplied by R. H. Stahl.
Cabot—F. H. Roberts.
Canaan and Beecher Falls—W. C. Christie.
Concord and Victory supplied by G. S. Smith.
Coventry—L. E. Taylor.
Craftsbury—C. D. Pierce.
Danville and West Danville—M. H. Sharples.
Derby—O. J. Anderson.
East Burke and East Haven—G. W. Keeling.
Evansville and Brownington Ctr.—John Robinson.
Glover—F. W. Lewis.
Guildhall—To be supplied.
Hardwick—G. W. Redding.
Holland and Morgan—Supplied by E. B. Harris.
Irassburg—G. L. Wells.
Island Pond—O. E. Barnard.
Lowell—Supplied by C. E. Kenyon.
Lunenburg and East Concord—L. B. Fuller.
Lyndon—Fred Wilcock.
Lyndonville and East Lyndon—R. H. Moore.
Newbury and West Newbury—Supplied by E. W. Sturtevant.
Newport—C. W. Kelley.
Newport Center—G. H. Wright.
North Danville—To be supplied.
Orleans—W. S. Smithers.
Peabach—A. K. Green.
Plainfield—A. W. Hewitt.
St. Johnsbury—G. A. Martin.
St. Johnsbury Center—A. J. Green.
Sheffield and Wheelock—Frank Oldridge.
South Albany—Supplied by I. P. Chase.
White River—H. E. Howard.
Walden and South Walden—To be supplied by Mr. Crossland.
West Burke and Newark—J. Q. Angell.
Westfield and Troy—To be supplied.
West Topsham—To be supplied.
Westville—Supplied by F. W. Lewis.
Williamstown and East Brookfield—Supplied by Albert Abbott.
Woodbury—To be supplied.
Among the special assignments are those of F. H. Blodgett to the Troy conference, and Rev. John Jones to the North Indiana conference.

FOLEY KIDNEY PILLS
FOR BACKACHE, KIDNEY AND BLADDER

Idle Hour Theatre

Always a Good Show

See the films we use:

Edison
Vitograph
Biograph
Essanay
Selig
Lubin

The Best that Money Can Buy

Monday Night
Beloved Adventurer
Tuesday night
Runaway June
Thursday night
Million Dollar Mystery

Admission 5 and 10c

FIREMEN HAD BUSY TIME LAST WEEK

W. R. Boulds, with the assistance of several of his clerks, decided to join the "clean up" movement and burn some of the rubbish and dead grass near his store on Railroad St., last Saturday morning, but, the result of his endeavors was not what he expected it to be.

The field where he started the small grass fire adjoins a shed in which Mr. Boulds stores his oil. During the winter considerable of the fluid had leaked out on the frozen ground and soaked in; consequently, when the above mentioned fire struck this piece of land it fairly flew to the building in which 28 barrels of kerosene were stored, despite the united efforts of all hands to put it out. It was but a moment till the storehouse was a mass of flames. An alarm was turned in, which was immediately responded to.

Fortunately, the wind was from the north, or we would probably have had a more serious fire to chronicle as the close proximity of the buildings would have rendered a bad conflagration imminent. As it were, several of the nearby buildings had to be thoroughly soaked with water to prevent catching, and numerous incipient grass fires, caused by the flow of burning oil, were put out.

Barn Burns

A fire was discovered early last Friday morning at the Needam residence on Mountain street. When the firemen arrived the barn had burned to the ground and the house was burning fiercely. The fire was a stubborn one to fight, but was finally confined to the ell part of the house.

The house was unoccupied and the fire is supposed to have been set by tramps, as several ladies in that neighborhood had seen several "knights of the road" hanging around in that vicinity.

Stewart House Changes Hands

H. A. Hanson, former proprietor of the Stewart House, has sold his interests in the hotel to Harold W. Gilman, of Lancaster, N. H., who has been clerk at the hotel for the past five months. Mr. Gilman took possession last Sunday.

The new proprietor comes here highly recommended, having been connected with the best hotels in northern New Hampshire for the past four or five years, and has worked under some of the most able proprietors and managers in the hotel business. The large circle of friends which Mr. Gilman enjoys, will be pleased to learn of his advancement.

A Card

Mrs. Reeve and family wish to express their grateful thanks for the numerous kindnesses received from their friends and neighbors in their recent bereavement.

Card of Thanks

I wish to extend my sincere thanks to my friends and neighbors for their many kindnesses during my recent illness.

Albert Roy.

Notice

This is to forbid all persons from dumping any more garbage in the streets or beside the road. We have finished cleaning the streets and shall remove no more garbage this season.

Per order,
O. L. MANSUR,
Road Commissioner.

ESSEX COUNTY COURT CONVENES AT GUILDHALL

Many Cases Marked for Trial. Will Probably Last Two Weeks.

Essex County Court convened Tuesday with a large attendance of lawyers. Hon. Willard W. Miles is the presiding judge and Hon. Kyle T. Brown and Hon. E. J. Nelson as assistant judges. Prayer was offered by the Rev. A. C. Fuller of Bloomfield.

There were originally eleven cases marked for the jury. Of these, in the case of E. F. Johnson vs. Richard Beattie, judgment has been rendered for the defendant. Mary C. Bilodeau vs. Moose River Lumber Co. will be tried. This is for negligence in causing the death of her husband who was killed in a saw mill at Lowell town, Maine. Robert Ash vs. D. A. and Viola S. Fisher has been marked, "discontinued." Raymond Fuller vs. Maxie Holbrook and Flora Gladys Fuller vs. the same party, stand for actual trial. The case of Chas. N. Page vs. Henry W. Demmick has been settled. Dan M. Smith vs. Ernest Sutor and Trustee will probably be continued. Mary A. Riggie vs. Coos Telephone and Telegraph Co. has been settled. Jean Louis Robert vs. Fitzgerald Land and Lumber Co. stands for trial.

It looks as though court would be in session for two or three weeks. The case of Joseph and Sarah LaPointe vs. Avid Sage et al is now on trial and will probably last two or three days longer.

The weather is ideal and everyone seems to be enjoying the freedom of this historic old town.

More Economy?

The Grand Trunk is still looking for places where economy may be effected on this division. The latest move is said to be the removal from the schedule of the Mechanic Falls way freight. The way freights heretofore running between Gorham and Island Pond and between Gorham and Portland, will, it is said, run between Bethel and Island Pond and Bethel and Portland. This will lengthen out the day the Island Pond crews have been accustomed to work and the mileage of the Portland way freight crews will be cut enough so they will be able to perform the work hitherto done by the Mechanic Falls train. These changes are expected to go into effect next Monday.

Bethel is as near the center of the Portland-Island Pond division as it is possible to get without establishing a new station. It is 80 miles from there to Portland and about 70 miles to Island Pond. This change will not be all economy, as probably a couple of men will be stationed at Bethel to look after the locomotives and to supply the locomotives with coal. Being a terminal point, all trains will have to stop and apparently it will necessitate Bethel being made a night telegraph office. It will make little difference to the conductors and brakemen as they usually sleep in their caboose, but the engineers and firemen will have to be provided with sleeping quarters.

How Are Your Hens?

Frank Russell claims a record for his hens, in the size of the eggs they lay. He recently weighed a dozen, and the total was 42 ounces. "Cy" Wentworth also claims a like record for his hens, in eggs of large size. Recently, he found in one of the nests an egg the circumference lengthwise of which was eight inches and seven inches the other way.

Interesting items from your neighborhood are wanted. Send them in.

WELL KNOWN LUNENBURG MAN PASSES AWAY

The funeral of Daniel Powers was held from his home in Lunenburg on Saturday, April 24th. The house was filled with relatives and friends who came to pay the last sad rites of respect to one of the most staunch and best known citizens of Lunenburg. Called to public duties in middle life, for many years he served his town most acceptably in various official positions, having repeatedly been elected selectman and justice of the peace and having also represented the town in the state legislature.

He was a man of original thought and purpose and upon coming to a conclusion he was inflexibly consistent in his adherence to it, a type of the old school of sturdy and thrifty citizens who built up the towns of Vermont and through wise and prudent financing, coupled with individual pluck and industry, kept them free from debt. A man of sterling honesty, he served in various fiduciary capacities and held in a peculiar manner the confidence of his fellow townsmen.

Nearly sixty-five years ago he was united in marriage to Miss Lizzie Ball, who survives him. He leaves four children, William, Irving, Mrs. Kate Applebee and Mrs. James N. Dodge, the latter of whom resides in Lunenburg.

Music was rendered by a mixed quartette, Messrs. Pond and Morris, and Mesdames Wallace and Bell. Rev. B. J. H. Shaw officiated.

Interment was in the Powers cemetery on Baptist Hill.

Serious Auto Accident

An auto party from Groveton, N. H., met with a serious accident about three miles from Littleton, N. H., on the Bethlehem road last Wednesday evening.

They had just started the ascent of Wallace Hill, when they collided with a team, the auto turning turtle, landing bottom side up, and throwing occupants out of the car, injuring them all, one seriously. The driver of the team escaped with a broken shoulder. The injured were taken to the Littleton, N. H., Hospital, where it was found that Fred Gardner's injuries were very serious and little hope given for his recovery. The only occupant of the car escaping with slight injuries was Thomas Donnelly of Groveton, formerly of Island Pond.

The auto was owned by the Wilkinson Garage of Groveton, and at the time of the accident was in charge of chauffeur Raymond Cutting of Waterford, N. H. The occupants were Fred Gardner, Thomas Donnelly, George Gainer, Edmund Moran and Merrill McKeen, all residents of Groveton, N. H.

Have You Heard It?

The beautiful song, "Elaine, My Moving Picture Queen," is now before the public. It is written in honor of Miss Pearl White, the heroine in the "Exploits of Elaine," who is probably the greatest moving picture actress now on the American stage.

Before publication of the song, it was submitted to Miss White who sent her autographed photo for the title page.

This song is a capital dance number and is tuneful and easy to sing.

Children Invited

Members of the Erastus Buck Post G. A. R., extend an earnest invitation to all school children, whether attending the district, high, or convent schools, to participate in the parade on Memorial Day, and march with the veterans to the cemetery.

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HISTORICAL SKETCHES OF ESSEX CO.

Taken from the Vermont Gazetteer, Published in the Year 1862

Continued from last week

In the winter of 1842 and '43 an epidemic prevailed in this part of Vermont, which baffled the skill of the best physicians for a long time, and proved very fatal. In Brighton many were attacked, but Dr. Harvey Coe, then practicing physician, having been fortunate enough to hit upon the right treatment, lost only one patient. Other physicians adopted his theory and many lives were saved.

BLOOMFIELD

BY HON. WILLIAM BURBANK

This town is situated on the Connecticut River; and is bounded W. by the unorganized township of Lewis, N. by Lemington and S. by Brunswick. It was chartered by Gov. Wentworth, June, 1762, under the name of Minnehead. By the terms of the charter the township was to be 6 miles square, and divided into 70 shares. The grantees were 63 in number. Five hundred acres, which was to be accounted two shares, were reserved for the Governor, right, one share for the propagation of the gospel in foreign parts, one for a glee for the benefit of the Church of England, one for the first settled minister in the town, and one for the benefit of schools in town. It appears the town was first surveyed in 1796, by Andrew Beers. This survey was unsatisfactory, and in 1798 E. W. Judd was appointed to make a new one, this survey also proving unsatisfactory; Jonas Baker was reappointed to re-survey the same in 1802, and the township was run out into lots of 112 acres each. By whom or at what time, the town was first settled, we have no definite data, but from the best information obtained it is reasonable to suppose that Thomas Lamkin was the first settler and came into town in 1796. Who his first associates were does not appear to be definitely known, but in 1802 there had been nearly 30 "pitches" made in town. Among the settlers at this date were Gaius Kibbe, James P. Frazier, J. J. French, Peter Mills, Stone Mills, Eben Wright, Raymond Fuller, Daniel Holbrook and Samuel Healey. Joseph Stevens also came not far from this time. He and Mr. Healey are the only ones now remaining; both are 80 years old or upwards. But few of the early settlers remained in town for any great length of time. They commenced under disadvantageous circumstances, and many became discontented and left, some allowing their lands to be sold for taxes. From 1812 to 1820 the population scarcely increased at all. In 1830 the population numbered 150. What its numbers at the present time (April 1862) is not accurately known; but there are from 70 to 75 families. (In 1860, population 320.) Only that portion in the vicinity of the Connecticut and Nulhegan rivers has as yet become settled, but the town is gradually increasing in population and wealth, and by the stimulus imparted to it by the construction of the Grand Trunk Railroad (which passes through the southerly portion) is becoming a town of considerable importance, so that no town in the country now presents greater inducements to settlers.

At the junction of the Nulhegan and Connecticut rivers the Messrs. Baldwin have a superior establishment for manufacturing lumber of all kinds, furnishing employment to numerous hands, and a good market for all such as are disposed to turn an honest penny by drawing their spare lumber during the winter months. The market for all kinds of produce is also rendered excellent.

The surface of the town is uneven, presenting almost every variety of scenery. A few meadow or interval farms are found on the banks of the Connecticut and Nulhegan rivers, but in many places the upland bluffs extend to the rivers. The soil is mainly good; in certain sections it is very excellent, while in other sections it appears only valuable for pasture and timber. A large portion of the township is covered with valuable timber of various kinds, for which a branch of the Nulhegan river, which passes through the center, furnishes conveyance to the mills. There are other streams of sufficient power for manufacturing purposes, some of which have been improved. The number of lumber mills in town is now four, being located in the different neighborhoods in town. There are numerous other little streams formed by springs of the purest water, gushing out and trickling down the hillsides of almost every lot.

ECCLESIASTICAL

BY REV. ABNER HOWARD

The Methodist Episcopal church in Bloomfield have one house of worship, built in 1859—the only meeting-house north of Guildhall on the Vermont side of the Connecticut river, a distance of nearly 40 miles. Previous to that time public worship was held in school-houses, dwelling-houses and barns, and sometimes in the grove. Since the conference of 1870 Bloomfield has been a charge, and regular Sabbath preaching has been granted them; previously, no regular preaching, yet not more than half the time generally.

Before 1844, and while the New Hampshire and Vermont conferences were one, Bloomfield was connected with all the towns on both sides of Connecticut river as far down as Lancaster on the New Hampshire side, and Lunenburg on the Vermont side; and at an early date included those towns.

Hence, previous to 1844 the first name by which the circuit was known was Lancaster, then Monadnock from a mountain of that name in Lemington, a town north of this on the Connecticut; later Columbia, which name is retained on the New Hampshire side of the river. Since 1844, the time that the New Hampshire and Vermont Conference was divided, the circuit has been known as Guildhall circuit, which included the towns north to Canada, with a part of Harriford in Canada, till 1860, when Guildhall was set to Lunenburg.

For want of statistical matter this account must needs be imperfect; yet many facts of interest have been gleaned from the memory of the aged, worthy of a place in the history of the state and church; these with the written records will be of interest to the present inhabitants of the town and perhaps the future, if none other.

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To-Night

Opera House

3rd Episode of

Exploits of Elaine

This feature will be shown each Friday and "The Master Key" each Tuesday.

Other Big Reels